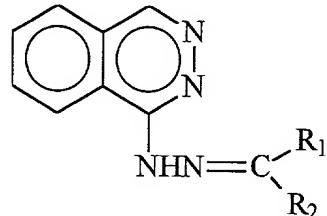
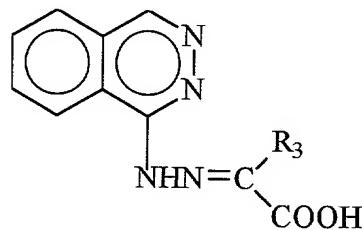


Abstract of the Disclosure

3 A method of improving the stability of a hydralazine composition during manufacturing
4 or storage comprising coupling an N-protecting group with hydralazine to produce the
5 compound having the formula:



8 or a compound having the formula:



11 where R₁ and R₂ are independently H, branched or straight chain alkyl having from 1 to
12 about 7 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted
13 cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted
14 alkylcycloalkyl, lower alkenyl or R₁ and R₂ together form part of a substituted or
15 unsubstituted cycloalkyl having from about 4 of about 7 carbon atoms; where R₃ is a
16 branched or straight chain alkyl having from 1 to about 7 carbon atoms, substituted or
17 unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted
18 cycloalkyl, aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkylcycloalkyl or a group having the
19 formula (CH₂)_nCOOH where n is from 1 to about 7.